

## **Advisory Committee on Trees – October 29, 2019**

Present: Ethel Dutky (recorder), Charles Jackman (chair), Robert Trumbule (member), Brian Townsend (staff liaison and Assistant Director of Public Works and Parks)  
Call to order 7PM

Reviewed and approved September minutes with corrections.

### **Old Business**

#### **1 – Fall Fest Tree Tour**

ACT led a tree tour during Fall Fest at Schrom Hills Park. Only two participants took the tour. Next year we plan to have a table set up in the morning staffed by ACT members. We will hand out candy and/or toys. Ethel volunteered to prepare a plant list that highlights non-invasive trees and shrubs which have outstanding fall color and/or fall fruit.

#### **2 – City Council Advisory Boards & Committees Appreciation Dinner on October 6**

Ethel and Charles attended the dinner. We had nice conversations with members of the Forest Preserve Advisory Board. We may do a joint meeting with FPAB in 2020 to plan and conduct an event together.

#### **3 – Champion Tree Tour**

Charles reported on a recent Champion Tree Tour in Montgomery County. We hope to attend this event in 2020.

#### **4 – Eleanor Roosevelt Memorial Tree**

ACT needs to follow up on the location and tree species to replace the Eleanor Roosevelt Tree which died last year. ACT needs to follow up with the Greenbelt Museum on this regarding specific location near the Community Center and on choice of tree species. Ethel volunteered to contact the Museum. ACT has sent a report on this (ACT Report #2019-2, August 7, 2019). Brian will follow up with City Council

### **New Business**

#### **1 – Arbor Day Activities**

We discussed doing a tree planting in Schrom Hills Park. Some trees discussed were Bald Cypress, Ginkgo, and others to enhance the fall tree walk.

Adjourn 8:45 PM

Next meeting November 19 at 7PM at Public Works.

Submitted by Ethel Dutky.